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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, and 12.

Part B for

SUBJECT.

Location of persons believed to be of unsound mind in the nearest Civil Hospitals or Jail instead of in the Lunatic Asylum Bangalore.

J 328 / 2349

50. 8-9-96.

From

The Senior Surgeon in charge of the L. Asylum Bangalore.

Requests that orders of Govt be obtained for the supposed lunatics being sent to the nearest Civil Hospital or Jail for observation.

GPB—3,500—21-7-14

Sl. 2. 4400. 29-9-96.
J 481

To

The Senior Surgeon in Charge of
the L. Asylum
Bangalore.

Asks
~~States~~ that whether the
Lunatics are admitted on producing the
medical certificate, and that how many
till now ~~are~~ have been admitted and
how many have already been discharged.

3. J 469/3305 89 13-10-96.

~~From~~
The S. Surgeon.

~~Furnishes~~ information to the
above.

L 5332/J 607 7-11-96.

To
The S. Surgeon.

States that, under the Rules
contained in Notn. No. 1141 d 31-7-74, it
is clear that Lunatic Asylum is intended
for the reception and detention of all
wandering and neglected Lunatics

7. 12061/J 1371 d 5-5-97.

To
The L. Surgeon.

Pending final settlement
of the Resident's question, ~~he~~ requests
that he should receive all the
supposed Lunatics.

12. 322/J 39 8-7-97.

To The S. Surgeon.

States that the State
Lunatic Asylum will hereafter be the
proper place for the reception and detention
of all the supposed Lunatics.

K. Rangaswamy

Subs Letter (46)

The suppressed Lunatic Keeffe has been sent to the Central Jail for observation, on the ground "that the Supdt: of the Govt. Lunatic "Asylum refuses to receive them "without a warrant for their "detention and a medical certificate "of actual lunacy." (Vide Colh. Govt. to Supdt. Asylum's letter.)

As, however, pending final settlement of the question of their reception, suppressed lunatics of this nature have been ordered in Circular No. 44 to be received into the Asylum without insisting on a warrant and certificate, and as our previous correspondence with the Resident nowhere provides for their reception at the Central Jail, the present Lunatic must, I submit, be transferred to the Asylum, and the fact intimated to the Govt. through the Resident.

(4/5/18).

I don't think it is necessary to detain the man now.

Read the Govt letter and say answer as follows:

"The matter is under correspondence with the Residency & pending final settlement of the question

Send to Asylum and admit today
4/5/18

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The reception of Catherine Donahue into the Lunatic Asylum has been ordered in Reg No 12061 by 5th Aug/97 a copy of 1371 which is herewith forwarded for information. If Dr. A. Heffernan already been received into the Central Jail, his disturbance therefrom & removal to the Asylum will be unnecessary. C

18/8/97

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From The Senior Surgeon to the Govt. Lunatic asylum Bangalore

To

The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to the Govt ~~Dewan~~ of Mysore,

Genl & Revenue Depts Bangalore

Dated 8 September 1896

Despatched

Received /2 — 09 —

Enclosures No. 1

General No. 5[illegible]
No.

In reply to

SUBJECT.

Requesting that, for reasons given, orders of Government be obtained for the authorised lunatics being sent for observation to the nearest Civil Hospl or Jail as heretofore instead of to the Lunatic asylum

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References (to be entered only in the Dewan's Office.)

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J 10-9-96
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SECTION Proud 9
FILE No. 629 K 7
SERIAL No. 1 25
MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE LUNATIC ASYLUM
No. 50
DATE 8.9.96
BANGALORE
MYSORE GOVT

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To.

The Secretary
to the Government of Mysore
— General & Revenue Departments
Bangalore. —

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that under orders conveyed in Proceedings of Government No. 1278 / J. 140 dated 20th July 1895, the Magistrates of the Civil and Military Station and of the City have been of late sending in persons supposed to be of unsound mind to the Asylum for observation. Prior to the date of the above Proceedings such persons were never received into the Asylum, but were being sent to the nearest Civil Hospital or Jail, and admitted into the Asylum only after they were certified

Please see Genl Sec. 22 - vol.

certified to be insane by a Medical Officer. In other Asylums too this rule is in force. I enclose for information of Government copy of Rules relating to the admission of patients into the Government Lunatic Asylum, Madras - It will be seen that no patient is admitted into that Asylum without Certificates from one or two Medical Officers. In my opinion an asylum for insanes is not a proper place wherein supposed lunatics may be kept and observed. In this Asylum there is no separate place where such persons could be kept free from any disturbance, which is unavoidable in a place where so large a number of confirmed lunatics are kept. There is also the possibility of persons feigning insanity, learning the ways of the insane better in their company than elsewhere.

I would therefore request the favour of your obtaining orders of Government to the effect that supposed lunatics may in future be sent to the nearest Civil Hospital or Jail as heretofore and not to the Asylum as is being done now.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

Percy J. H. Symonds

Senior Surgeon & L.C.
Mysore Govt.

No 4565

Read. 7 (27)

SECTION Board's
FILE No. 62 of 96-97.
SERIAL No. 2

Letter No 50 of 8 Sept 1896 from the Senior Surgeon in charge of the Lunatic Asylum, Bangalore ~~requesting~~ stating ~~for reasons stated~~ Orders of Govt ~~to the effect that~~ suppose lunatics ~~may be sent~~ to the nearest Civil Hospital or Jail ~~for those who are not dangerous~~ as heretofore, and not to admit Lunatics to the Asylum as ~~insane~~ at present.

4400/J. 481 of 29-9-96: Order thereon

The disposal of the above matter entails a reference to the Residency and the Govt would like to have complete information before the reference is made.

It is observed that Rule 23 of the Rules printed with Govt Pro. No 3155/J 346 of 3-4-95 requires

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requires that a Medl. certificate
of a ~~Medical Officer~~ in
~~the~~ Form A. should ac-
company an order for
the admission of a
private person into the
Lunatic Asylum. The
Senior Surgeon in charge
is required to report if this
~~will be complied~~ with is not being done whenever an alleged lunatic is
~~in the case of persons~~ sent to the Asylum from the C. & Mr.
Station; and, further,
~~The said Surgeon~~
~~is hereby required to~~
~~state~~ how many persons
belonging to the C & Mr.
Station were admitted
since 19th July 1855, and
in how many of
such cases it was
found that the person
or persons so sent were
not lunatics

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Under rule 7 of the Govt rules of 31st July 1874, it is considered to the Medical officer in charge of the Lunatic Asylum to record his opinion in column 14 of the Register to be kept in Form II and to forward extracts therefrom to the Magistrate. The Govt would like to know in how many cases this procedure was adopted by the Medical Officer, and the number and how many of the persons admitted from the C. & M. Station, who were discharged thereupon

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Secretary

To
The Senr Surgeon in charge
of the Lunatic Asylum
Bangalore.

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OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE
1896-97
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From The Dewan of Mysore &c
In charge of Lunatic asylum

To The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore
General & Rev: Depts
Bangalore

Dated &
Despatched October 1896

Received 13 — 10 — 96

General No. 89
No.

Enclosure No. 1.

Furnishing information regarding persons supposed to be of unsound mind sent in for observation by the Magistrates of the civil and military Station and of Bangalore city to the Lunatic asylum since 20th July 1895 to 30th September 1896 as called for in Proceedings Govt: No. 4400 / J. 481 of 29 Sept/96

References to be marked.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE
SECTION Paud J
FILE No. 62 to 96-97
SERIAL No. 328
MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE LUNATIC ASYLUM
No. 89
DATE 8.10.96
BANGALORE
MYSORE GOVT.

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To.

The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore.
General & Revenue Depts.
Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to Proceedings of Government No. 4400 J. 481 dated 29th ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that this office No. 50 dated 8th Idem refers not only to admissions from the Civil & Military Station but also to those from the Bangalore city.

Since the passing of Government Order No. 1278 J. 140 dated 20th July 1895 up to 30th September 1896 there were, as may be seen from the enclosed statement, 26 persons admitted from the

the Civil and Military Station and 15 from the Bangalore City under observation. Of the former 6 were found not insane and therefore discharged, 15 detained in the Asylum under Warrants from Magistrates issued on receipt of certificates of insanity furnished from this Office, and the remaining 5 are still under observation.

Of the 15 admissions from the City, 5 were found not insane, 6 certified to be insane and detained on receipt of Warrants from the respective Magistrates and 4 remain under observation.—

No medical certificate in Form A as required by rule 23 of the Rules printed with Government Proceedings No. 3155/J.346 dated 3rd September 1895 accompanied any of these individuals sent for admission.

This will be complied with under the Rules

Referring to last para of the Proceedings under reply, I have to state that no extracts from Registers

of—

of Lunatics (Form II) containing ... Medical Officer's opinion were furnished to the Magistrates as those that were finally detained here were done so under Warrants and Statements from Magistrates on receipt of certificates of insanity from this office. I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

Percy A. W. Symonds

Senior Surgeon I.S.C.

Incl: Lunatic Asylum.

Myore Govt. —

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This is not to be done in future 1871

Statement showing the number of persons supposed to be of unsound mind sent by the Magistrates of the civil and military station Bangalore and of the Bangalore city for observation in the Bangalore Lunatic Asylum since the passing of Government Proceedings No. 1278-140 dated 20th July 1895 up to 30th September 1896

	Number admitted under observation	Number found not insane and therefore discharged	Number certified to be insane and detained in the asylum under warrant issued by the Magistrates on receipt of certificates of insanity	Number now remaining under observation	Remarks
Civil and Military station Bangalore	26	6	15	5	
Bangalore city	15	5	6	4	

Bangalore
8th October 1896

Percy A. W. Greenwood
Civil Surgeon in charge
Lunatic Asylum.

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No. 5332 / 607 — 27-11-96.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

SECTION Pard J

FILE No. 62 of 96-97

SER'AL No. 4

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Read — (30)

Letter No. 50, dt 8 Sept 96, from the Senior Surgeon with the Govt of Mysore stating that the Lunatic Asylum is not the proper place for the detention of supposed lunatics, that such persons should only be admitted therein after they are duly certified by a Medical Officer to be insane, and that supposed lunatics apprehended by the Police of the Bangalore & the City may, in future, be sent to the nearest Civil Hospital or Jail as heretofore instead of to the Asylum.

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Letter No 89, dt 8 Oct 96, from the same Officer, furnishing the information called for in Govt Procg No 4400 / F. 481 dt 29 Sept 96, regarding the no of persons admitted into the Asylum since 19 July 1895, the no of cases in which they were found not to be insane and the no of discharges therefrom consequent on the Medical Officer's opinion under Rule 7 of the Rules of 31 July 1874.

Order thereon

The Govt observe that under the Rules contained in Notifn No 141 dt 31 July 1874, it is clear that the Lunatic Asylum and detention is intended for the reception of all wandering & neglected lunatics, whether real or supposed. The procedure therein laid down, in Rules 3 & 4, of the Magistrate to enable the Medical Officer to satisfy himself that the person concerned is fit to be detained in a lunatic asylum, and then to send him to the Bangalore Asylum under Rules III & IV with

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an order in Form No. I: if the Medical Officer in charge is of opinion that the supposed lunatic is not really such, he is to send an Extract from his Register under Rule VII. to the Magistrate, who thereupon directs the discharge of the lunatic under the provisions of Rule VII

Accordingly, though there is much to be said in favor of the Senior Surgeon's views, it does not appear to Govt. possible to exclude supposed lunatics from the Asylum so long as the Rules remain as they are; and, at the same time, the Question of detaining supposed lunatics of the G.T.P. Station in the Asylum having been so recently decided after correspondence with the Resident, it does not seem expedient to re-open it now.

2. The Senior Surgeon reports that no such Medical certificate as is required under Rule 23 of the Rules printed with G. P. No. 3155 J. 346 of 30 Sept. 1895, accompanies any of the orders of Magistrates for admission into the Asylum. This should be insisted upon under the Rules in the case of future admissions.

The Register in Form II of the Rules of 1874 does not appear to have been therefrom maintained, nor extracts furnished to the Magistrates, as required by Rule VIII of the Rules of 1874. This, it is hoped, will be done in future

To the Senior Surgeon

Sept. Oct. 20/10

A similar observation to the Rules referred to above will, the Govt. trust avoid as much as possible, persons who are not really insane being sent to the Asylum

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Read

SECTION Para 9
FILE NO. 62 of 96-97
SERIAL NO. 7

Govt Proc: No: 5332
§ 607
4th November 96 in re
the admission of luna-
tics & supposed lunatics
into the Asylum at
Bangalore -

Order

Pending the final
settlement of the ques-
tion ~~whether supposed~~
~~lunatics~~ since raised
by the ~~1st Asst~~ Residency
the Senior Surgeon will
be requested to receive
supposed lunatics
sent to the Asylum for
observation from the
Cantt Station without
insisting upon their
being accompanied
by an order and a

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certificate in the [illegible]
forms prescribed by
the rules.

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2. The Senior Surgeon
Hamilton (or with
the [illegible] of the Surgeon -

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No. 322 (19)
J39 8-7-97.

To The Senior Surgeon in charge of the Lunatic Asylum: Dangalore

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FILE 62 of 96-97
SER 12

In continuation of

Govt Pro. No. 12061 of 5-5-97
J 1371

I am directed to ~~intimate~~ state that it has been decided that ~~the Resident in Mysore has been informed that the~~ existing arrangements ~~for~~ which existed prior to the issue of the order of the 7th Nov 1896 regarding the reception of supposed Lunatics of the C. & M. Station into the State Asylum should continue. The Officer in charge of the Asylum ~~may~~ should accordingly ~~The Senior will therefore~~ as already requested continue to be instructed to receive supposed Lunatics sent to the Asylum for observation from the C. & M. Station without insisting upon their being accompanied by an order and a certificate in the forms prescribed by the

the Rules -

I have no
C.
7-7-97
Secretary

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